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CONCERNING A LOCAL ENTITY")
) Re: *Utility Application*
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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
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Sir:

In reply to the non-final Office Action mailed on September 20, 2004, an initial response to which is due no later than **December 20, 2004**, Applicants submit this paper. Please amend the above-identified application as described below and consider the following remarks. **All amendments and remarks herein are made without prejudice.**

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 3 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 21 of this paper.